Your Problems

By Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I had to write to you after reading that letter from the girl who wanted to quit high school.

I realize more than ever what a high school education means, because I'm one of thousands of students who suddenly found my high school doors bolted and padlocked. I live in Virginia.

Oh yes — I attend private tutoring classes, but my parents must pay $5 a week for this privilege (as well as taxes which should be providing me with a public school education.)

I take four subjects and no one is certain the credits will be accepted by a college or a university. Even at that I'm one of the lucky ones. Many students can't afford $5 a week for four subjects. And in some cases, those who COULD pay can't get into tutored classes because there are no vacancies.

The top students in my class who were hoping for appointments to Annapolis and West Point are stranded. Students who were depending on scholarships, now find their chances slim. These are only a few problems we are faced with.

I could name many more—the most serious one being boredom and idleness that is plaguing us all. The lack of planned activity is getting on our nerves. Some kids have already gotten into trouble with the law.

When I read about high school students who want to quit I'd like to shake some sense into their heads. Too bad these foolish ones can't let us take their places in a classroom. I'd consider it a privilege, and there are thousands like me.—CHILD OF DIXIE.

A Million Pieces

Dear Ann: If I don't get some help with this problem I'll fly into a million pieces. Please try, Ann.

I've been married many years. I've never cheated on my husband nor have I wanted to. I always worked alongside men and naturally I got the usual "passes" but handled them with no trouble. Because of my husband's uncontrollable jealousy and bitter accusations I quit work.

This didn't help matters. Every evening he checks the garbage can for cigaret butts, sniffs for signs of smoke, and asks such questions as "How long ago did he leave?" When I tell him it's his imagination, he flies into a rage and says "Are you saying I'm nuts?"

What can I do? I'm no good at defending myself. He's a strong man and I'm afraid of him. He has twisted my arms and pushed me against the furniture but this can't be considered "wife-beating" can it? Please answer in the paper. If he got to the mailbox first and found out I'd written to you he'd break my neck.—KARLA

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Your husband is sick (sick sick, that is.) His own insecurity has driven him to confusing fantasy with fact. Tell him he must get professional help or you will see a lawyer about separate maintenance.

No woman should live in fear. Don't wait until he gives you a beating, complete with broken bones and black eyes. A mental beating is sufficient punishment. Get busy and good luck.

Settle an Argument

Dear Ann: Settle an argument, please. We just adopted a baby girl. We want to send announcements to relatives and close friends. My husband says we should use the word "adopted." I want to use the word "arrived." My mother says no announcements should be sent. Who is right? — A READER

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Dear Reader: An attorney tells me that in most cases adoption proceedings can't be started until the child has been in custody of the adoptive parents for six months. Therefore the word "adoption" would be misleading. On the other hand "arrival" is also misleading. Your relatives and close friends will hear of your good fortune. I think your mother's advice is best.

To learn the knack of feeling comfortable with the opposite sex, send for Ann Landers' booklet, "How To Be Date Bait," enclosing with your request 20 cents in coin and a large, self-addressed, stamped envelope.

(Ann Landers will be glad to help you with your problems. Send them to her in care of this newspaper enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope.)

Legion Auxiliary Elects Leader

Mrs. W. Tapley was re-elected head of the LA to Naval Veterans' Branch, No. 42, Canadian Legion, it was reported recently.

Members cut a huge cake marking the auxiliary's ninth birthday.

Others elected were Mrs. I. Sinclair, Mrs. I. Mundie, vice-presidents; Mrs. S. Dawe, treasurer; Mrs. A Brown, secretary, and Mrs. B. Sturrock, Mrs. L. Stevens, Mrs. C. Guest and Mrs. N. Painton.

Mrs. R. Cook and Mrs. D. Jones were appointed district council representatives and Mrs. C. Guest, delegate to Provincial command.

St. Joseph's LA Raised $6,100

The Ladies' Auxiliary to St. Joseph's Hospital held its annual meeting at the hospital this week.

President, Mrs. J. A. McLellan, who reported an active year, and the secretary's report, read by Mrs. P. Semenchuk, reviewed the main fund-raising events of 1958 including a home baking sale, coffee party, fashion show, garden party, linen show, bridge-tea and bazaar.

Disbursements included photographs for student nurses, $25 for library, a $100 bursary.

Mrs. J. Chadderton, treasurer, announced receipts of $6,100 while disbursements were $5,600.

Other reports were given by Mrs. G. McKenzie, Mrs. H. O'Neill and Mrs. E. Michaux.

Sister Mary Angelus, Superior, expressed appreciation. She thanked members for the money raised during the year, which would be used for furnishings for the proposed new wing, particularly the new maternity services. This new wing is a goal the hospital hopes to see started within the next year.

New officers include: president, Mrs. T. Atkinson; vice-presidents, Mrs. C. A. Kelpin, Mrs. S. Tanner; secretary, Mrs. P. W. Semenchuk; treasurer, Mrs. J. Reading; councillors, Mrs. J. Jackh, Mrs. A. T. Johnsen, Mrs. F. Michaux; tea arrangements, Sister Rosemary, Sister Malachy.

On the agenda for the coming year will be a bridge-tea to be held at the nurses' residence Feb. 4.

It was a happy occasion during the reception at the Empress Hotel yesterday when His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Ross chatted with essay winners, Judith Hygh and David Steenbergen of Nanaimo, B.C. (Colonist photo.)

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Memorable Day For Youngsters From Nanaimo

It was a memorable day for Judith Hygh, aged 10 years, and David Steenbergen, 11, when they attended the opening session of the B.C. Legislature yesterday and the Premier's reception held later at the Empress Hotel.

And most certainly the highlight of the whole proceedings was when His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia signed their invitation cards and Mrs. Ross congratulated them personally.

Both children are students at Breckin Elementary School in Nanaimo and the trip was their prize for writing a winning essay on the subject of "Democratic Government." Judith is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Hygh, and David is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Steenbergen, both of Nanaimo.

An even greater crowd than usual thronged into the Empress Hotel ballroom for the reception after the House opening and the main topic of conversation was the weather.

"I've been coming down to Victoria from Duncan for these receptions for years now and this is the first time it has been such an awful day" was typical of the remarks heard on all sides. Undoubtedly the wet weather had a dampening effect on the appearance of spring styles.

A steady stream of people passed through to the ballroom from the main entrance where Premier and Mrs. Bennett headed the reception line, the West entrance from the main lounge where Attorney General and Mrs. Robert Bonner received and the entrance from the conservatory where Minister of Public Works, P. A. Gaglardi and Mrs. Gaglardi and Minister of Labour Lyle Wicks and Mrs. Wicks did the honors.

Mrs. Boorman Leads Missionary Group

Mrs. J. Boorman was re-elected president of the Afternoon Auxiliary of the Women's Missionary Society of Metropolitan United Church at the annual meeting.

Honorary President named was Mrs. F. E. H. James.

Elected to first, second, third and fourth vice-presidents, were Mrs. E. R. Bewell, Mrs. H. C. Steele, Miss G. W. Beall and Mrs. J. Jones.

Others elected were: Miss F. M. Castleton, Mrs. E. J. Bonfoy, Miss E. E. Harte, Mrs. H. M. White, Mrs. W. T. Patterson, Mrs. F. H. Herbert, Mrs. J. E. Brown, Miss G. Bedford, Mrs. M. Waistell, Mrs. C. F. Wharton, Mrs. J. D. Wilson, Mrs. S. S. Peat, Mrs. K. O. Henderson, Mrs. G. W. Robinson, Mrs. F. Henlin, Miss M. James and Mrs. C. W. Gordon.

Rev. C. R. McGillivray conducted the installation of officers and gave the devotional period.

In South Africa

Outbreak Certain!

Revolution in South Africa is inevitable in the opinion of Mr. B. A. Roberts, who addressed the University Women's Club of Victoria on the subject "Africa — Land of Controversy."

"Three million white people cannot keep a military coercive supremacy over 11,000,000 non-whites indefinitely," he stated.

Mr. Roberts, whose family has lived in South Africa for nearly 300 years, told how Africa has become a great social laboratory for human relations. The home of many ancient civilizations, "the cradle of the human race," Africa has 5,000,000 whites but 200,000,000 blacks, from a dozen different stocks and who speak 1,000 different dialects, who live at many different levels of civilization, and who are being developed by six different European powers.

SIGNIFICANT

The speaker considered that the French invitation to the black populations of their territories in Africa to become full French citizens on an equal footing with the people of France to be one of the most significant progressions in the history of mankind.

For the first time white people have said to black people—"Come and be one of us." If this succeeds it will be a great step forward in human relations and de Gaulle will go down in history as one of the greatest figures of our time. He added that the nationalists in South Africa inevitably think de Gaulle is quite mad.

BUILD PARTNERSHIP

Mr. Roberts described how the Rhodesias and Nyasaland are trying to build up a partnership between the two races, and are training the blacks to take a skilled role in industry, a policy that needs courage, faith and tolerance.

"In South Africa they will not train or educate their blacks beyond a very elementary Grade 3 level. As one result they are being outstripped industrially. Everywhere else in Africa black men are either free or live in countries where independence is on the way, but in South Africa the Boers are obsessed with nationalism and think that only by keeping the blacks under can they preserve their own identity.

MORE ANIMOSITY

English speaking people generally are against the extreme elements among the Boers and there is more animosity between the whites now than there was after the Boer War. There is now no mingling of the two white groups in schools, and few Boer children can speak any English. Anyone inclined to be outspoken abroad is denied a passport.

Whites and blacks do not speak to one another—whites just give blacks instructions—the policy of apartheid used to keep the black population under control ensures a huge reservoir of cheap black labor.

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